



Lakeshore Partnership Connections

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Building Connections

Principal's Corner ~

Dear Families,

I hope your school year has been off to a great start for your child(ren)! We are super excited to see how much growth we have seen in our students just over the past month as they are settling back into their classroom routines and reviewing from last year while learning new concepts and skills.

As I reflect on our students and their learning, I sometimes must take off my adult hat and put on my elementary student hat, the one that I left behind long ago. As I switch my hats, I am often trying to remember what it was like to be a child and how I connected my early learning to my future hopes and dreams. I am pretty certain that I was not terribly worried about those far-off goals that included acceptance at a particular college, career options and eventually a home and family. Yet, it is at a young age that we begin to plant those seeds of a future by helping our students see the connections or relevancy between what they are learning and how they will use this learning now and in the future.

When we ask our students their goal of what they want to be when they grow up, their answers vary from wanting to be professional athletes, artists, scientists, and teachers. As adults, we have learned to believe that every child's goals are likely to change many times, and yet our job is not to steer their goals, but rather to affirm our belief in their ability to become whatever they dream. We remind them that the things they are learning right now in elementary school will help them reach their goals.

We hope that you will join us in helping children build those strong bridges between their elementary learning and future aspirations. Take some time to talk about how you use reading, math and writing in your life every single day. Encourage your child to explain how they use these skills now and how they see them used by other students and adults. Help them make the connections between the various jobs they see in our community and how learning certain skills helps them do their jobs. It is also important to guide them in discussions about how leisurely experiences such as planning a vacation, attending a sporting event and even cooking all use those essential learnings. Students who see the relatedness in life are far more motivated and inspired to learn and reach their goals.

The connection between home and school is important and we rely on the support of our parents to help our students reach their goals and be successful. A great opportunity to build this connection is during your child's Family-Teacher Conferences on Thursday, October 24. You can schedule this conference online via Skyward Access, contact your child's teacher, or call the main office at 715-852-3401 to schedule this conference.

Finally, If you have any questions about Lakeshore and/or your child's education, please call me at 715-852-3410 or e-mail me at: cminer@ecasd.us.

Your partner in your child's success,
Colleen Miner
Principal

Attendance Guidelines



Every Student - Every Day! We want your child with us every day and on-time to give us the opportunity to help them learn and achieve at high levels.

- Students are allowed **10 excused absences** (all or part of a day) per school year.
- Please notify the office, 715-852-3401, prior to or by 8:45 AM regarding any absence.
- Please make sure to bring a note from any professional appointment for it to be considered excused
- Attendance is taken 4 times a day based on the following periods:

Period 1	8:15 – 10:00
Period 2	10:00 – 11:45
Period 3	11:45 – 1:30
Period 4	1:30 – 3:10

- If your child is absent more than 5 minutes from ANY period, they will be marked absent for that period.
- Early departures are counted as absences.
- After 5 unexcused absences, we will invite you to meet to help develop a plan to improve attendance.

If you have any questions about the ECASD policy on absences, please contact the office to speak with Mrs. Miner.

School Store

Lakeshore School Store begins this Thursday during lunch. The fifth graders are excited to work the store and help kids shop. School Store is set up in the lunchroom by the Instructional Kitchen and is open to any student who wants to shop. If you are allowing your child to shop, please send the money in an envelope or plastic bag with their name on it. And please, do not send large bills. If you have any questions, please ask Mrs. Lewis.

Sunday Story Time

Our Sunday Night Story Time is coming back this year! The date hasn't been set but we are lining up readers from our staff so we can bring you and your family a bedtime story to enjoy. Our staff had a lot of fun recording the stories last year and we hope you enjoyed watching and listening.

October is a Very Busy Month:



Upcoming Events

- Oct. 3 School Store opens, Thursdays during lunch in lunchroom
- Oct. 8 Lakeshore PTO Meeting, 6:30-7:30pm in Library
- Oct. 10 Vision Screening, volunteers needed
- Oct. 18 Read & Feed, quarters wanted
- Oct. 18 Halloween Carnival, Lakeshore Gym & Lunchroom 6:30-8:00pm
- Oct. 21 Hearing Screening for 1st grade
- Oct. 21-24 Scholastic Book Fair, during lunchtime and conferences
- Oct. 22 Culver's Benefit Night for Lakeshore, 4:00-7:00pm Brackett Avenue location
- Oct. 24 NO SCHOOL, Family-Teacher Conferences, 8:00am-8:00pm
- Oct. 25 NO SCHOOL, Fall Break
- Oct. 28 NO SCHOOL, Staff professional development
- Oct. 29 Club's Choice Order Pick Up, 3:00-5:30pm in lunchroom

PTO Information



Thank you to everyone who attended our annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, Sept. 19. What a beautiful evening to enjoy ice cream and friendships. Thank you to our Cub Scout parents and scouts for helping to scoop the ice cream and to other parents who helped. We went through 20 gallons of ice cream! Thanks also to Festival Foods for donating the bottled water. Our custodians were fantastic helping us set up and tear down. Reanna Goodman, great job of organizing this year!



Our first Read & Feed was Friday the 20th and we raised \$152.70! Thank you so much for the generous donations that will be used to purchase more fish for our fish tank in the front lobby. If you haven't heard, our big goldfish that were in the tank for many years are now in retirement, they really are, in a pond south of town. Mr. Bill our evening custodian says they are enjoying the pond and like swimming together. Stop by and take a look at the variety of the new fish. They are quite colorful and very active. Next Read & Feed is Oct. 18.

Club's Choice Fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who was able to participate this year. We had over 1,300 dollars in donations alone. The most ever. Our orders both online and paper total around 28,000 dollars (don't have the final numbers yet) and that will give the PTO between 11 and 12 thousand dollars for field trips, family events and other items for our students and school. Amazing! Can't wait to see how many children will be on the trolley ride and lunch at Culver's this year. We will know the names on October 29 when the orders are delivered. The ride will probably happen early December. Notes will go home for those students who will be participating.

The next PTO meeting is Tuesday, October 8 and Dr. Hardebeck will be at the meeting to listen in and speak. We would love to see you at the meeting. Final plans for the Halloween Carnival on the 18th will also be discussed.



Scholastic Book Fair will be open during the Halloween Carnival like last year and the week of October 21. Once again, we invite families to come to have lunch that Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday with your child then shop the book fair during their recess time. A note will be coming home this week with menu and a reply if you are able to come. The book fair will be open on Thursday from 8am-8pm during Family Teacher Conferences. All profits received will go toward purchasing books for our book give aways at the end of the school year and Family Learning Day. All volunteers who work the book fair will also get a 5-dollar coupon to use at the fair. A sign up will go out soon for volunteers, look for it in a Skyward message soon.



Lakeshore has an awesome PTO (Parent-Teacher Organization) and we would love you to be a part of it. There are no dues. All are welcome. We want you to be a part of deciding the best ways to support our students and teachers and school. Please come to a meeting and see what we do and how easy it is. If you can't come to a meeting, then look for Skyward messages asking to Sign Up to help with various events or programs at Lakeshore. There are many ways to help.



Earn Cash for Lakeshore

Box Tops for Education is changing how their program works. No more clipping. No more sending Box Tops to school. All you need is your phone. Download the **ALL-NEW Box Tops app**, shop as you normally would, then simply scan your store receipts to find participating products. The app will automatically credit your school's Box Tops earnings online.



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It's that easy! Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated online.



BOX TOPS CLIPS ON PACKAGES

Physical Box Top clips are being phased out of production but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. You can still clip them and send them to school. Send your clipped Box Tops, along with any unexpired clips you may have at home, to Lakeshore.



NEW LABEL If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt.

Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.

FREE COATS for those in need

H S H S S A C R E D H E A R T H O S P I T A L

Coat & Blanket Drive

Collecting coats and blankets for local children and families in need.

DISTRIBUTION DAY

Saturday, October 5

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

HOSTED BY: The King's Closet

DISTRIBUTION SITE: Redeeming Grace Church, 312 S. Barstow St., Eau Claire

Items will be available on a first-come, first-served basis

Odyssey of the Mind Information



Odyssey of the Mind - Looking for the Creative, the Dramatic, the Mechanic and Artistic

This year the ECASD Gifted Education Department will once again provide students the opportunity to participate in programming to help develop their creative, dramatic, mechanic and artistic talents. Students in all grade levels have the option to participate in an after-school program called Odyssey of the Mind.

Odyssey of the Mind is the original creative problem-solving program and one of the largest and most successful worldwide! It was founded 37 years ago and has been active in Wisconsin for over 30 years. Odyssey of the Mind in the Eau Claire Area School District relies heavily on parent volunteers to provide coaching for elementary teams. If you are interested in forming and/or coaching a team at your elementary school, contact me for more information. I can coordinate a parent night to help recruit more coaches and students for teams.

All teams attend the state competition in Madison on Saturday, March 21, 2020. Transportation is provided and the celebration is awesome.

We have a Parent Interest meeting on Thursday, October 17th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the District Office. There will be training for Odyssey of the Mind coaches on Saturday, November 2nd from 9 - 11:30 a.m. at Northstar Middle School.

Contact Michelle Kooiker, District Odyssey of the Mind Coordinator, for more information at 715-852-3110.

Flu Clinics 2019

The Eau Claire City-County Health Department will be offering Flu Shots at the locations listed below.

\$45 Cash or Check for Adults. FREE to Children up to 19 Years

Medicare and/or Medicare Advantage Plans accepted as payment. Must show cards.

Flu Shot only (Nasal Flu Mist is **not** available through the health department)

Indoor Sports Center	Monday, Oct. 14	3:00 – 7:00 PM	Conference Rooms
Northstar	Wednesday, Oct. 16	1:00 - 5:00 PM	Multipurpose room
Altoona Elementary	Monday, Oct. 21	9:00 – 11:00 AM	OT Room
Altoona High School	Tuesday, Oct. 22	2:00 - 4:00 PM (students only) Open to all community from 4:00 - 5:30 PM	High School Gym
Delong	Wednesday, Oct. 23	1:00 - 5:00 PM	Library
Fall Creek	Tuesday, Oct. 29	9:00 - 12:00 AM	Administrative Entrance
Augusta High School	Tuesday, Oct. 29	2:00 - 5:00 PM	Commons
South	Wednesday, Oct. 30	1:00 - 5:00 PM	IMC



Fall is in the air!

*A fun new project is coming to Lakeshore involving pumpkins.
Look for information coming home soon!*